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July 22, 2011

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Attention: Ms. Sue Kiser

Attention: Mr. Ray Sukys

Dear Ms. Kiser and Mr. Sukys:

The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) has completed the review of the following amendment to the Tulare County Association of Governments' (TCAG) 2010/11 - 2013/14 Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP):

No. <u>Description</u>

10 State, Transit and Local Elements

This amendment modifies three individual projects and adds five individual projects in Tulare County. It also deletes three individual projects. The amendment includes projects with funding from the Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement Program (CMAQ), the High Risk Rural Road Program, the Federal Transit Agency (FTA) Section 5307 and 5309, and local funds.

See enclosure.

The TCAG Board Resolution adopting this FTIP amendment certifies that the amendment is financially constrained, and meets the requirements of public involvement procedures adopted by TCAG and all applicable transportation planning requirements per Title 23 Code of Federal Regulations Part 450 and satisfies the applicable air quality conformity requirements.

Pursuant to the authority delegated to me by the Director of Caltrans, I approve TCAG's Amendment Number 10. I also recommend that the Federal Highway Administration and FTA approve this FTIP amendment for inclusion into California's 2011 Federal Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (FSTIP). Projects included in this FTIP amendment, in fiscal years not within the four-year cycle of the current FSTIP, are not approved as part of this FTIP amendment and are shown for information only. Approval of this amendment does not constitute an eligibility determination of project for federal funding.

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Please address any questions on this FSTIP approval request to Dennis Jacobs of my staff, at (916) 654-4447.

Sincerely,

RACHEL FALSETTI

Chief

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Enclosures

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